MR. R. M. STATHAM: I presume the officers which have not been referred to are necessary. It does not mean that if the committee have not made mention of a particular officer; they do not want him.

I do not want to take up much of the time of the House. I will give an assurance that what the members have stated will all be considered. A fair proportion of seats will be reserved for State Council Members in the Advisory Board which will consider all the recommendations of the committee before Government takes action on them, either for acceptance or rejection.

MR. M. N. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: How will the member divide the proportion between the 2 Houses?

MR. R. M. STATHAM: That is a matter for Government to decide. I commend my grant for the acceptance of the House.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and adopted *nem con.*

FAREWELL TO THE PRESIDENT.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI: Sir, before we disperse, with your permission, I would like to say a few words. It is now certain that, in a few months hence or at least before we meet here again, you are leaving us to rejoin your own service in the Madras Presidency. I suppose I am correct. Sir, it is quite possible that you love your service more and that you are anxious to add to the achievements of the distinguished service of which you are a prominent member. Sir, when you came over to Travancore to assume the exalted position to which His Highness the Maha Raja was pleased to invite you, you did not come into our midst as a stranger. You were in Trivandrum as Assistant Resident and Mrs. Austin was practically one amongst us doing noble work in the alleviation of human suffering. You had the privilege of being at the Head of the Administration when the Constitutional Reforms were planned and carried into effect. You took responsibility for advising such a large and generous measure of reforms. Our thanks are due to you for that. You have had occasion to watch the proceedings of this Council and were in a position to know how the privileges conferred upon this House were exercised by us. I hope you are satisfied that the confidence reposed in us by His Highness the Maha Raja on your advice was justified.

Sir, it was only yesterday this House granted funds for the creation of a new department for irrigation. You were able to grasp the very great importance irrigation plays in the agricultural life of this country. By the organisation of a new Irrigation Department, I have no hesitation in saying that you have in a manner strengthened the foundations of the economic life of this country and gratitude of the people is due to you.

I do not wish to detain you long. Sir, as President of this Council, your attitude has been most praise-worthy. Your presidency of the Chair was characterised by dignity and impartiality. We are thankful

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[Mr. K. Madhavan Pillai.]

to you for the great kindness and consideration that you have shown to us in the capacity of President of the Council. You have established conventions which will hold good for years. In the name of this Council I wish you farewell. When you came here, you received much cordiality and good wishes from the people of this country. I assure you, Sir, our good feelings will follow you wherever you go. Although we will be able to see you very often perhaps during the coming months in this town we are not likely to meet again in this hall. I take this opportunity of wishing you and Mrs. Austin farewell.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI: Sir, on behalf of the trading and mercantile classes of the State, I have very great pleasure in associating myself with the noble sentiments expressed by my esteemed friend, Dr. Madhavan Pillai. Sir, to you goes the honour of inaugurating this House. We admire and appreciate the ability, tact, patience and courtesy with which you have been conducting our deliberations. Sir, the Legislature in Travancore has no chamber of its own for conducting its deliberations. To you, Sir, belongs the credit of taking practical steps to give us a house to conduct our deliberations. Sir, your name will ever be treasured in the minds of the people of Travancore in grateful recognition of the valuable service you have thus rendered. Parting, Sir, is indeed painful, and much more so it is in your case. The keen sympathy you have evinced during the recent floods, the constant visits you made to the stricken areas, the timely assistance you rendered to the homeless poor and the protection you afforded to the merchants of Trivandrum by placing at their disposal the buildings under your control are all acts which cannot be forgotten. Sir, on an occasion like this, I do not think it is possible to enumerate all that you have done for promoting the growth of commerce and industry in this State. Nevertheless I fear I will be failing in my duty if mention is not made of the fact that, by beginning the actual working of the Pallivasal Hydro Electric Scheme, you have truly laid the foundation of the industrial progress of the State.

Once again, I assure you, Sir, that your name will ever be remembered by the people of this State. I pray God to bless Mrs. Austin and yourself with long life, health, wealth, all happiness and prosperity.

MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM: സർ, താങ്കൾ ഈ കൌൺസിലിനോട് യാത്ര പറഞ്ഞു പിരിഞ്ഞു പോകുന്ന ഈ അവസരത്തിൽ ഇതു സംബന്ധിച്ചു രണ്ടു വാക്കു പറയുന്നതു സമുചിതമായിരിക്കുമെന്നു വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നു. മുപ്പതു വർഷങ്ങൾക്കു മുമ്പ് ഇവിടെ ദിവാൻജിയായിരുന്ന വി. പി. മാധവറാവു അവർകൾ ജനങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷകൂടാ

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തെ തന്നെ ഞങ്ങൾക്കു ഒരു ജനപ്രതിനിധി സ്ഥാപനമായ ശ്രീമൂലം പ്ര
ജാ സഭ ഏർപ്പെടുത്തിത്തന്നു. ഞാൻ ഉൾപ്പടെ ഇപ്പോൾ ഈ കൌ
ൺസിലിലുള്ള ഭൂരിപക്ഷം അംഗങ്ങളും ആ പ്രജാസഭയിൽ മെംബറന്മാ
രായിരുന്നിട്ടുള്ളവരാണ്. ഞങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷ അനുസരിച്ച് ശ്രീമൂലം
പ്രജാസഭയുടെ രജതജൂബിലി മഹാമഹം അതിന്റെ സ്ഥാപകനായ
വി. പി. മാധവറാവു അവർകളുടെ മഹനീയാദ്ധ്യക്ഷതയിൽ സാഘോ
ഷം നിർവഹിക്കപ്പെട്ടു.

ഞങ്ങളുടെ അന്നദാതാവായ പൊന്നു തമ്പുരാൻ തിരുമനസ്സിലെ
കിരീടധാരണമഹാമഹോത്സവാവസരത്തിൽ കല്പിച്ചരുളിയിട്ടുള്ള മഹാ
നുഗ്രഹങ്ങളിൽ പ്രഥമവും പ്രധാനവും ആയിട്ടുള്ളതു് പ്രതിനിധിസഭക
ളെ ഉടച്ചു വാർത്തു കാലോചിതം പരിഷ്കരിക്കുക എന്നുള്ളതാണ്. ഈ
കൃത്യം പ്രശസ്തമാംവണ്ണം നിർവഹിച്ചു പുതിയ പ്രതിനിധി സമിതിക
ളെ നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തിയതു തങ്കളുടെ ശ്രമഫലമാണെന്നു വഞ്ചിരാജ്യ
വാസികളാകമാനം എന്നും കൃതജ്ഞതാപൂർവം സ്മരിക്കുന്നതാകുന്നു.

ശ്രീമൂലം പ്രജാസഭയുടെ സ്ഥാപകനായ വി. പി. മാധവറാവു
അവർകൾ അതിന്റെ രജതജൂബിലി മഹാഘോഷത്തിൽ സന്നിഹിതനാ
യി ആ സുവർണ്ണാവസരത്തെ മോടി പിടിപ്പിച്ചതു പോലെ ഈ കൌ
ൺസിലിനെ നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തിയ തങ്കളുടെ മഹനീയാദ്ധ്യക്ഷതയിൽ
ഇതിന്റെ രജതജൂബിലിമഹാമഹം കൊണ്ടാടുന്നതിനു സർവശക്തൻ
സഹായിക്കട്ടെ.

സർ, ഇക്കഴിഞ്ഞ ദിവസം ഞാൻ തങ്കളെ കണ്ട അവസരത്തി
ൽ എന്നോടു പറഞ്ഞതിൽ ചില വാക്കുകൾ കൂടി കലർത്തി ഇവിടെ ഉ
ദ്ധരിക്കുന്നതു ഞങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചും അവശ്യം ഒഴിച്ചു കൂടാത്തതാണ്.
അവിടുന്നു് ഞങ്ങളെ വിട്ടു പിരിഞ്ഞു പോയാലും ഞങ്ങളേയും, ഞങ്ങളു
ടെ രാജ്യത്തേയും, ഞങ്ങളുടെ കൌൺസിലിനേയും മറന്നുകളയരുതെന്നും
ഞങ്ങൾക്കു അപ്പഴപ്പോൾ വേണ്ട ഉപദേശങ്ങളും നൽകിയും മറും താ
ങ്കൾ സകലവിധ സഹായസഹകരണങ്ങളും ചെയ്തു തരണമെന്നും വിന
യാദരപൂർവം അഭ്യർത്ഥിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

തങ്കൾ ആയുരാരോഗ്യസമ്പൽസൌഭാഗ്യസമേതനായി ഉത്തരോ
ത്തരം ഉന്നമനത്തെ പ്രാപിച്ചു അനേകകാലം സുഖം മേവുന്നതിനു
ഞാൻ ജഗദീശ്വരനോടു പ്രാർത്ഥിച്ചുംകൊണ്ടു എന്റെ വാക്കുകളെ ഉപ
സംഹരിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

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MR. M. GOVINDAN: I also beg to associate myself with all the sentiments expressed by the previous speakers in regard to yourself and your administration and for what you have done as the President of this Council and the uniform kindness with which you have been treating all of us. But I would also add that you were a strict disciplinarian, that you have not been over kind in allowing us more than the fixed time. Whenever we strayed from strict relevancy your watchful eye checked us and recalled us to relevancy. (*Laughter*). What I admire most is the very few words that you actually employ in effectively maintaining the discipline of the House. With these words I bid you farewell, Sir, on behalf of this House and wish you all happiness and prosperity.

MR. S. ADAM SAIT: I heartily associate myself with the sentiments expressed by my learned friends and pray Allah to bless you with long life, happiness and prosperity.

MR. G. NARAYANA AIYAR: I endorse all the sentiments expressed by the previous speakers and pray God to bless you with long life and prosperity.

PRESIDENT: Members of the Council, it has been a pleasure and a privilege to preside over your deliberations; and I can honestly say that, in my opinion, you have realised your duties and responsibilities as a Second Chamber. It is a sad thing to say good-bye to you, but I am glad that I am not saying good-bye to you personally and that I shall see you again before I leave. I thank you very much for the very kind things you have said about me and also about my wife and I wish you all the very best of luck.

The Council is adjourned *sine die*.

The Council adjourned *sine die* at 4-48 P. M.

P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI,
Secretary to the Sri Chitra State Council.

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